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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of Jing WU et al. Group Art Unit: Unassigned Application No.: Unassigned Examiner: Unassigned (Div. of 08/996,422) Filed: Herewith For: CYCLOALKYL, LACTAM, LACTONE AND RELATED COMPOUNDS, PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING SAME, AND METHOD FOR INHIBITING β-AMYLOID PEPTIDE RELEASE AND/OR ITS SYNTHESIS BY USE OF SUCH COMPOUNDS

## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231
Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits and calculation of fees, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

## **IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace the first paragraph of page 1, appearing under the "Cross-Reference to Related Applications" with the follow paragraph:

This application is a division of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/996,422 filed December 22, 1997, which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) from U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/064,851 which was converted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)(2)(ii) from U.S. Patent Application No. 08/780,025 filed December 23, 1996. --

Please insert the following paragraphs between the third and fourth full paragraphs on page 14, line 27 insert:

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